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Civilian Police Review Board

City of Hartford
550 Main Street
3rd floor (Large Conference Room)
Hartford, CT 06103
Minutes of October 21, 2008 Meeting - 6:06 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Jeffrey Zyjeski (Chair), Commissioner Walter Butler, Commissioner Sylvia Vargas, Commissioner Anna Stephenson, Commissioner Joan Gallagher, Lieutenant Paul Ciesinski, Attorney Jonathan Beamon, Rubye Stevenson, Izora Fair, Emma Fair, Brian Steinberg- Members of the Connecticut Communist Party-USA, Kimberly Taylor, staff personnel- Human Relations Office.

- 1) **Call to Order:** Commissioner Jeffrey Zyjeski, (Chair) called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. Everyone in attendance introduced himself or herself.
- 2) **Corporation Counsel:** Attorney Beamon indicated that he did not have any comments or concerns.
- 3) **Old Business:** (a) Motion made by Commissioner Walter Butler, and seconded by Commissioner Sylvia Vargas to accept the July 15, 2008 and August 19, 2008 minutes. Vote was unanimous to accept the July 15, 2008 and August 19, 2008 minutes.
(x) Old Business cases that were tabled.
- 4) **New Business:** See grid below.

Old Business	IAD No.	Complainant	CPRB Vote	Case Discussion	Member that Abstained
x	07-077	Janie Learmand	Not Sustained	Walter Butler Joan Gallagher Lt. Paul Ciesinski Jeffrey Zyjeski	Sylvia Vargas
x	07-078	Wayne Walters	Not Sustained	Walter Butler Joan Gallagher Lt. Paul Ciesinski	Sylvia Vargas
x	07-081	Andre Caban	Not Sustained	Lt. Paul Ciesinski	Sylvia Vargas
x	07-082	Stephanie White	Not Sustained	Walter Butler Joan Gallagher Anna Stephenson Jeffrey Zyjeski	Sylvia Vargas

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- 5) **Public Comments/Concerns:** Comments from the public were taken. Mr. Brian Steinberg from the Connecticut Communist Party, USA state that he believes that the purpose of the Review Board is to have another body besides IAD to look at the complaints. He also believed that the independent investigators are an important part of the additional review.
- 6) **Board Member's Comments/Concerns:** Commissioner Anna Stephenson made a statement that she feels that the Board is not making a difference. The Chair, Jeffrey Zyjeski would like to invite the Independent Investigators to the meetings so that could provide clarification on their investigations if deemed necessary.
- 7) **Adjournment:** Motion was made to adjourn at 7:24 p.m. by Commissioner Sylvia Vargas; Commissioner Anna Stephenson seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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